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Rome, March 24. *N. S.*

THE Pope has been of late very much indiſpoſed, which it is believed will occaſion the putting off his intended Journey to *Loretto*. He gave Audience of Leave the laſt week to the Count *de Cataneo*, Envoy of the Republick of *Genoua*, who is preparing for his departure home. Signior *Conti*, the Pope's Nuncio at *Lisbon*, is made Archbiſhop of *Urbino*, and it is believed he will be advanced to the Dignity of a Cardinal at the next Promotion. Signior *d'Aſti* is returned hither from *Civita-Vecchia*, where he has been giving Directions for repairing and augmenting the Fortifications of that Port. This Court having refuſed to make good to the *French* a certain quantity of Proviſions, which had been bought up at *Bologna* for their uſe, and was deſtroyed near that Place by a Party of Imperialiſts, the *French* out of Revenge have plundered the Eſtates of the Marquis of *Davia*, the Count *de Marſigli*, and ſome other Perſons in the *Boloneze*, who are looked upon to be Favourers of the Houſe of *Auſtria*: The Pope being informed thereof, ſent for the Cardinal *de Jauſſon*, and expreſſed to him his Reſentment of theſe Hoſtilities committed againſt his Subjects, declaring he ſhould expect Satisfaction for the Injury.

Dantzick, April 7. The great Dutchy of *Lithuania* has ſent Deputies to the great Council of the *Poliſh* Senators and Nobility which is met at *Marienbourg*, who have declared to that Aſſembly their Reſolution to ſtand by their King, according to the Confederacy which they entred into at *Wilda* on the 7th of the laſt Month: We hear the Nobility of the Palatinate of *Cujavia* is drawing together for his Defence, whoſe Example will in all appearance be followed by ſeveral other Palatinates. The *Saxon* Forces commanded by General *Steynau* were advanced to *Pulton*, within 7 miles of *Warſaw*, and the Army of *Lithuania* was come to *Surts*, not far from them; and General *Steinboch* was drawing together a Body of *Swediſh* Troops near *Warſaw*, in order to oppoſe them. Some Advices ſay, a Body of *Swedes* had engaged another of *Poliſh* and *Muſcovite* Forces near *Birzen*, and had totally defeated them.

Vienna, April 4. The Duke of *Moles*, who was Ambaſſador from the late King of *Spain* to the Emperor, and has ever ſince his Maſter's Death continued near this Court, tho' without declaring himſelf, has at length put himſelf under the Emperor's Protection, whom he has acknowledged as his lawful natural Sovereign: On the 25th paſt he had Audience of the Emperor, and 3 days after was ſworn of his Privy Council. He is by Birth a *Neapolitan*, and as Great Chancellor of *Milan*, had the chief Direction of the Affairs of that State, while the Count *de Melgar*, now Almirante of *Caſtile*, was Vice-Roy there: He was ſince employed at *Genoua*, and afterwards Ambaſſador at *Venice* for about three years, and he is generally reputed to be a Miniſter of an extraordinary Capacity.

Weſel, April 14. A great Magazine of Proviſions and Ammunition is preparing at *Santen*, for the Service of the Forces which are employed in the Blockade of *Gelder*. Yeſterday a Party of 28 Men of that Garriſon, which ventured to come out and make an Excurſion towards *Udem*, fell in with a Party of our Forces, who killed 6 of the Enemy, and took the reſt Priſoners.

Cologne, April 13. The Diet of the Circle of *Weſtphalia*, which is now aſſembled in this Place, has reſolved forthwith to furniſh their Quota of the Forces which the Imperial Diet has agreed to ſet on foot for carrying on the War againſt *France* and *Spain*; and in order thereunto General *Hoogkirchen* has already begun to raiſe a Regiment of Dragoons for their Service. Monſieur *Fagel*, Lieutenant-General of the *Dutch* Forces, having been at *Duſſeldorp*, to preſs the Elector Palatine to have in a readineſs what he has promiſed to furniſh towards the beſieging of *Bon*, and to concert the laſt Meaſures with him in order to this Enterpriſe, came hither from that Court on the 8th Inſtant upon the ſame Errand, as well to the Diet of this Circle, as to our Magiſtrates, and has had frequent Conferences with them upon that ſubject. Several Regiments of Horſe and Dragoons who are to inveſt that Place are in motion, and will be before it by the 16th: Two hundred Boats laden with Artillery and Ammunition are coming up the *Rhine* from ſeveral Places in *Holland* and in the Dutchy of *Cleves*, beſides what is to be provided here, and by the Elector of *Triers* and the Elector Palatine; ſo that it is computed the Allies will have ready to be made uſe of in this Siege 100 Pieces of Cannon, 50 great Mortars, and between 2 and 300 ſmall ones, and a proportionable quantity of Ammunition; and great Magazines of Proviſions are erecting at *Duits* and *Mulheim*, where they have begun to bake Bread for the Army; And the Country People in the Dutchies of *Berg* and *Juliers*, and in this Archbiſhoprick, are ordered on very ſevere Penalties to provide Faſcines, Gabions, and divers other Neceſſaries, for this Deſign. On the other hand the Marquis *d'Allegre*, who commands at *Bon*, is making the beſt Proviſion he is able for his Defence; and it is ſaid, that ſince the Reſolution of beſieging that Place has been certainly known, about 500 *French* Forces have found the means to get into it at ſeveral times, and in ſmall Parties, which has augmented his Gariſon to near 4000 Men; yet it is not believed they can hold out above a fortnight after the opening of the Trenches, which is to be done on the 20th. And there being Advice, that the famous Party-man *La Croix* has undertaken to bring them a Reinforcement of 1500 Men from *Luxembourg*, ſome Troops are ſent that way to prevent him. On the 11th Inſtant a Party from *Bon* came in the night with intent to ſet fire to a great Ma-

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